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**Man dead after
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A man is dead after his all-terrain vehicle crashed into a metal pole in Jamaica, Queens, on Saturday night. Dave Thomas, 33, was driving his ATV on the sidewalk on Merrick Boulevard when he struck a pole, according to a preliminary police investigation. Thomas was pronounced dead at Jamaica Hospital.

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In the news

**Mayor pushes
gun control**

Mayor Michael Bloomberg continued his fight for gun control yesterday on "Face the Nation," where he accused Romney and Obama of ducking the issue. "Weapons that are sold advertised as 'high capacity' ... aren't weapons to be used in hunting, and they certainly aren't weapons to be used to defend yourself. The Supreme Court said we have the right to bear guns, but reasonable restrictions are constitutional," he said. ✪ METRO/CB

Retail woes abound

► Those who work in city's thousands of stores struggle with low wages, erratic schedules, lack of benefits ► Trader Joe's, Costco treat employees well, but other retailers don't, say activists

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► The retail sector is vital for New York's economy to thrive, but too many retail workers are chronically underpaid, according to the National Employment Law Project.

When Adam Gomdah's wife gave birth to their second child via C-section, his employer only gave him three days off.

Gomdah, who sells shoes at a popular, trendy shoe store chain in the city, also deals with an erratic work schedule that makes finding child care and getting another part-time job difficult, as well as squeezing in classes for his master's degree.

And since he only makes the federal minimum wage of \$7.25 an hour, plus a 4 percent commission, he struggles to pay off his undergraduate student loans and support his family.

"Being in retail, we're tired of hearing our employers say we are nobodies," said Gomdah, who declined to identify where he works for fear of

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"Today, you go to work at an honest job, you will be condemned to a life of poverty. That can't continue. It's morally wrong, and it's bad for the city."

STUART APPELBAUM, PRESIDENT OF THE RETAIL, WHOLESALE AND DEPARTMENT STORE UNION

repercussions.

Retail is one of the city's largest industries, with 326,570 people, or 9.8 percent of all private sector workers, employed there as of this May, according to the New York City Economic Development Corporation. But

doing the job has its pitfalls.

Toys R Us, for example, which employs hundreds in the city, has faced legal trouble in Massachusetts for allegedly failing to pay earned vacation time in 2009, according to a report released Thursday by labor activists UnitedNY and Alliance for a Greater New York. Before that, in 1999, the company agreed to pay a \$200,000 fine as part of a settlement with the U.S. Department of Labor for allegedly violating federal child labor laws.

Also on Thursday, a report from the National Employment Law Project found that 36.5 percent of retail workers nationwide earned fewer than \$10 per hour, compared to 26 percent of all private sector workers.

And retail jobs are no longer

the bastion of high school students or the uneducated. Many of those who work in retail, like Gomdah, hold college degrees.

"[Retail] is not just an industry where high school kids are working for spare change," said Paul Sonn, legal co-director of NELP. "A lot of people depending on these jobs are in their 20s, 30s and 40s. There are also a lot of people working their way through college [and] older people who can't afford to retire."

When asked about good retail employers in New York, Sonn said Trader Joe's and Costco both treat their workers fairly well while remaining profitable.

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Where retail salaries fall

The median annual wage of a retail salesperson is \$22,770, according to labor groups UnitedNY and Alliance for a Greater New York. See if this matches up against other traditionally low-wage jobs.

- Food prep, server, fast food: **\$18,520**
- Home health aid: **\$18,950**
- Cashier: **\$18,960**
- Child care worker: **\$26,240**
- Security guard: **\$27,500**
- Receptionist: **\$29,260**
- Teacher assistant: **\$29,320**
- Customer service representative: **\$36,910**

Five alleged bad apples

Thursday's report from UnitedNY and Alliance for a Greater New York highlights the plight of low-wage workers in the city.

In addition to Toys R Us, the four other companies named in the report were carwash chain Lage Management Corp., airline

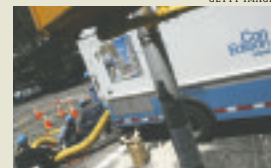
contractor Air ServCorp., Brooklyn supermarket Golden Farm and power utility Consolidated Edison.

These companies don't pay fair wages — as little as \$4.86 per hour in the case of Golden Farm — and deny such things as meal breaks, paid sick leave and health insurance. Employees at Lage are also exposed to hazardous chemicals, alleges the report.

Employers respond

Jennifer Lage, general manager of Lage Management and daughter of the owner, said the UnitedNY report was "simply not true."

"Really, I think it's an effort to turn all car-washing workers into due-paying members of a union," said Lage, who pointed out that a recent routine audit from the New York State Department of Labor found no major



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violations.

For his part, Con Ed spokesman Allan Drury noted that the report referred to Con Ed contractors rather than company employees.

"We issue contracts for these services through a competitive bidding process to the lowest qualified bidder, consistent with good business practices," Drury said.

Representatives at Air Serv, Toys R Us and Golden Farm could not be reached for comment.

— Check out page 23 for a profile with Caitlin Kelly, author of "Malled," a book on retail job dissatisfaction.

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Five killed in fiery Queens car crash

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► The crash occurred at the intersection of Atlantic Ave. and the Van Wyck Expressway yesterday.

Two children and three adults are dead after a gruesome car crash in Queens early yesterday morning. Three survivors pulled from the crash were reported to be in stable condition at Jamaica Hospital.

The Mercedes-Benz SUV, which appeared from the wreckage to be a seven-seat vehicle, was carrying eight people when it ran two red lights and swerved to avoid hitting a motorcyclist around 3:15 a.m., the New York Daily News reported.

The SUV slammed into a concrete pillar on Atlantic Avenue, flipped and rolled over before bursting into flames, according to police. An 8-year-old girl, a 9-year-old boy and three adult women passengers were pronounced dead on the scene.

One woman was found dead in the passenger seat still wearing her seat belt, said the paper. The FDNY had to use the jaws of life to pull two young boys, 7 and 9, from the burning vehicle. The 9-year-old did not survive.

The rest of the passengers, one of them an 8-year-old girl who did not survive, were re-

Sad reminder of April crash

Yesterday's crash brings to mind an accident in April where three generations of one family were killed after their car fell 59 feet off the elevated Bronx River Parkway. The victims included a grandmother, grandfather, their two daughters and their three grandchildren.

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portedly ejected from the SUV.

The driver, a 45-year-old woman, was taken to Jamaica Hospital along with the 7-year-old boy and a 26-year-old man. Police said the three have varying degrees of injury. According to DNAinfo.com, at least one is in serious condition.

Wellington Okoro, a cousin of the family, told the site that the carload was coming back from a Nigerian heritage conference at Golden Terrace Banquet Hall on Atlantic Avenue.



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London, here we come! As part of Metro's ongoing coverage leading up to the 2012 Olympic Games in London later this month, we're introducing readers to the athletes who will be representing the United States. We've previously interviewed swimmer Ryan Lochte, fencer Daryl Homer — who hails from the Bronx — and long-distance runner Molly Huddle. And now we're speaking with Paralympic athlete April Holmes, who will be running the 100- and 200-meter events in track and field.

It would take most people months, if not years, to bounce back from a devastating injury, but Holmes knew within two

weeks of losing her leg that she wanted to represent the U.S. as a serious competitor on the track.

In 2001, Holmes was involved in a train accident that forced doctors to amputate her left leg below the knee.

A lifelong basketball player, she was overwhelmed by the amputation and initially feared her days in sports were over.

"I thought I would never be able to run or play basketball again, and I had done that since I was 5 years old and it had brought joy into my life," Holmes told Metro. "To wake up and know I'd never play again, it was devastating."

She credits her surgeon, Dr. William Delong, with planting the idea in her mind to embrace her new body and turn a disability into an incredible ability in athletics.

Shortly after her amputation, Delong was bringing her magazines about the Paralympic Games.

From there, a dream was



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► April Holmes, right, holds world records for Paralympic athletes in the 100-, 200- and 400-meter dash.

born.

Not only did Holmes decide she wanted to become a Paralympic athlete, she made up her mind that she would be the best.

"I had to go to rehab and get a leg," Holmes said. "I definitely wanted to be able to represent the U.S. and be the best in the world and have gold medals."

And that's exactly what Holmes did. By 2002, she was training for a career in Paralympic track and field. Proving to be a dominating force in her sport, she went on to set world records in the 100-, 200- and 400-meters, leading her to

claim the title of the world's fastest amputee.

At the 2004 Paralympic Games in Athens, she won bronze in the women's long jump. At the 2008 games in Beijing, she took home gold in the women's 100-meters.

Holmes has spent the last year training in Florida, where up to six hours of her day were spent on the track in preparation of her third trip to the Paralympic Games, which will run from Aug. 29 to Sept. 9 in London.

— Reporter *Cassandra Garrison* is covering the 2012 Olympic Games from London. Follow her coverage at @CassieAtMetro and at www.metro.us.

Can't wait to hear anthem

When asked what keeps her motivated, Holmes said it's as simple as the moment a

national anthem is played at the end of a race.

"Would you rather hear yours or that of another country?" she said. "That's always a motivation for me."

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More plans in works for crowd-funding to help others

Max Sidorov, who started the fundraiser for Karen Klein, said the overwhelming support for her has served as a launching pad for more projects that "spread love," as he put it.

Sidorov said he is now

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"So many opportunities and doors have opened up to me to help the world and change the world. I never thought this would happen."

MAX SIDOROV

working with Klein to launch free counseling services for bullied kids, along with bullies themselves. He's also hoping to create a TV series called "Love is Moving," which would feature selfless people who perform good deeds worldwide. Sidorov hopes to raise \$7 million for another campaign, this one called "7 million acts of love," which he said would be the largest crowd-funded project in history.

Donations for heckled grandma exceed \$700,000

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► Max Sidorov, left, was able to raise more than \$700,000 for Karen Klein, right, after she was tormented by students.

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It's been a month since the video of bus monitor Karen Klein enduring vicious harassment from students went viral, topping 8.3 million views on YouTube. And an online fundraising drive for the upstate New York grandmother closed late Friday night with \$703,873 raised.

The 10-minute clip from June 18 showed students from Greece Middle School mocking Klein, 68, until she was reduced to tears. It was posted to YouTube after one of the participating students put it on his Facebook profile.

International outrage over the incident quickly morphed into financial support after a Canadian man named Max Sidirov started an Indiegogo fundraiser for Klein.

His initial hope was to send her on a vacation, but within hours the fundraiser surpassed its \$5,000 goal. Dona-

tions didn't stop there. By the next evening, donors had contributed \$325,000.

"I don't think in my wildest dreams I could have ever dreamed such a number," Sidorov told Metro. "I had no idea this was ever going to happen."

A representative from Indiegogo.com told Reuters Klein's fundraiser is the fastest- and largest-grossing fundraiser in the site's history. According to Sidorov, Indiegogo will keep 4 percent of the donations, and 3 percent will go toward credit card fees.

"She is super happy, very excited, overwhelmed," Sidorov said of Klein, who he has visited several times in the past month. "She is happy this issue can get so much attention."



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Klein family overwhelmed by outpouring

Brian Klein, Karen's son, has said the support the family has received has been overwhelming, and that the family was grateful for it.

Aside from the money, Southwest Airlines has given Klein a three-night trip to Disneyland in California for her and her eight grandchildren.

Klein has also been given a



free weeklong vacation by the Hilton Sandestin Beach Golf Resort in Florida.

The students seen tormenting her in the video later apologized to Klein, who made \$15,000 a year as a bus monitor, and she said she did not wish to press charges. Four of the boys have been suspended from the school for a year.

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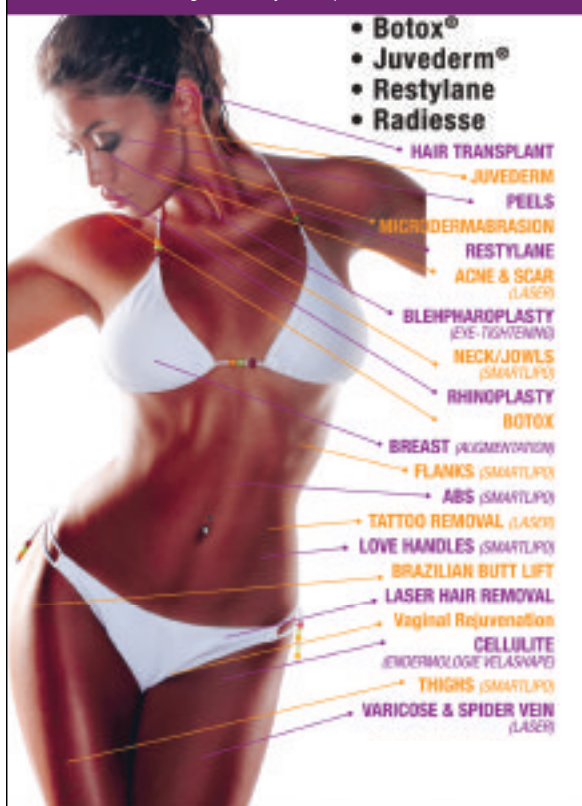


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Norway marks anniversary of Brevik killings

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► Norway's Prime Minister Jens Stoltenberg, left, and King Harald attend a ceremony near the damaged government building in Oslo yesterday

Norwegians by the thousands gathered yesterday at somber memorials to the 77 people killed a year ago by far-right gunman Anders Behring Breivik to show his bloody rampage had done nothing to change their dedication to an open society.

"The bomb and the shots were intended to change Norway. People responded by embracing our values. He failed, the people won," Prime Minister Jens Stoltenberg told the crowds, carrying red and white roses at the memorial in central Oslo.

Breivik, who said his mostly teenage victims were traitors because they supported multiculturalism and Muslim immigration, detonated a bomb outside parliament that killed eight, then shot dead 69 at the ruling Labour Party's youth camp on Utoeya.

The anniversary fell two days after a gunman in the U.S. state of Colorado killed 12 and wounded 58 in a crowded movie theatre. No link has been suggested between the two rampages.

"Very few people can go

"By meeting blind hatred with knowledge and reason, we have shown that democracy is stronger than its biggest threat."

PRIME MINISTER JENS STOLTENBERG

through a day without thinking of the events of July 22," said Vegard Groeslie Wennesland, an Utoeya survivor who escaped Breivik by barricading himself in a cabin with about 50 others.

"[You think of] a person you miss, someone you were supposed to hang out with or seek advice from or anything like this. Or something just reminds you of what happened."

On the island, Stoltenberg and most cabinet members joined around a thousand survivors in songs, speeches and commemoration that included releasing a large, heart-shaped helium balloon to which they had attached personal messages. **REUTERS**



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NCAA to punish Penn State, school removes JoePa statue

The NCAA will announce "unprecedented" sanctions against Penn State University today over its handling of a sex-abuse scandal, after the school removed a statue of former coach Joe Paterno outside its football stadium.

After a report concluded school officials attempted to cover up the scandal, the NCAA may decide to shut down the Nittany Lions football team — the so-called death penalty — Geoffrey Rapp, a sports law professor at the University of Toledo in Ohio, said in a telephone interview.

"The only punishment that really fits this crime is the death penalty," Rapp said.

Mark Emmert, the president of the NCAA, will detail "corrective and punitive measures" at a press conference at tomorrow, the college athletics' governing body said in a statement.

"I now believe that, contrary to its original intention, coach Paterno's statue has become a source of division and an obstacle to healing."

PENN STATE PRESIDENT RODNEY ERICKSON SAID IN A STATEMENT

CBS News, citing an NCAA official it didn't identify, said the school and its football team face "unprecedented" penalties.

Penn State President Rodney Erickson said: "Paterno's statue has become a source of division and an obstacle to healing. Were it to remain, the statue will be a recurring wound to the multitude of individuals who have been the victims of child abuse." **METRO**



PATRICK SMITH/GETTY IMAGES

► People from the community try to get a look at the site where the statue of Joe Paterno stood. It sits empty after the statue was removed by workers yesterday.

Obama joins Aurora grief

AURORA, COLORADO. President Barack Obama headed to Aurora, Colorado, last night to meet families grieving after Friday's mass shooting that rekindled debate about guns in America. Special prayers were offered in Aurora for those who died in the town,



which is not far from the scene of Columbine High School student mas-

sacre. "Our culture needs to change," Father Mauricio Bermudez told a packed mass at the Queen of Peace Catholic Church in Aurora. "What kind of people are we becoming? Today, we must change," he said.

REUTERS

Governor says gun control 'would not have helped'

WASHINGTON. Tragedies like the "act of evil" that claimed 12 lives in a movie theater shooting in Aurora, Colorado, may not be preventable by stricter gun controls, the state's governor said.

"I'm not sure there is any way in a free society to be able [to stop a deranged individual from assembling a deadly arsenal]," Governor John Hickenlooper, a Demo-

crat, said yesterday on CNN's "State of the Union."

"If there were no assault weapons available and no this or no that, this guy is going find something, right?" he said. "He's going to know how to create a bomb."

The shootings occurred at about 12:30 a.m. on July 20 during a showing of the new Batman movie, "The Dark Knight Rises." **BLOOMBERG**



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ly on a U.S. container ship in the region

according to the coast guard, one of several agencies that sent vessels to assist in the rescue.

The F-16 Fighter Falcon went down some 200 miles northeast of Hokkaido, Japan's northernmost island, according to an earlier statement by the U.S. Air Force. **REUTERS**

Wealthy hold \$32 trillion hidden in offshore havens

LONDON. Rich individuals and their families have as much as \$32 trillion of hidden financial assets in offshore tax havens, representing up to \$280 billion in lost income tax revenues, according to research published yesterday.

The study estimating the extent of global private financial wealth held in offshore

accounts — excluding nonfinancial assets such as real estate, gold, yachts and racehorses — puts the sum at between \$21 and \$32 trillion.

The research was carried out for pressure group Tax Justice Network, which campaigns against tax havens, by James Henry, former chief economist at consultants McKinsey & Co. **REUTERS**

Regulators set to issue charges in Libor fixing



► The key regulators involved in the Libor case include the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission and Britain's Financial Services Authority.

U.S. prosecutors and European regulators are close to arresting individual traders and charging them with colluding to manipulate global benchmark interest rates, according to people familiar with a sweeping investigation into the rate-rigging scandal.

Federal prosecutors in Washington, D.C., have contacted lawyers representing some of the individuals under suspicion to notify them that criminal charges and arrests could be imminent, said two of those sources.

Defense lawyers, some of whom represent individuals under suspicion, said prosecutors have indicated they plan to begin making arrests and filing criminal charges in the next few weeks.

It is not uncommon for prosecutors to contact defense

lawyers for individuals before filing charges to offer them a chance to cooperate or take a plea, these lawyer said.

The prospect of charges and arrests of individuals means that prosecutors are getting a fuller picture of how traders at major banks allegedly sought to influence the London Interbank Offered Rate, or Libor, that underpin hundreds of trillions of dollars in assets, including mortgages. The criminal charges would come alongside efforts by regulators to punish major banks with fines, and could show that the alleged activity was not rampant in the banks.

"Banks are hoping that at least regulators will see that the scandal was mainly due to individual misbehavior of a gang of traders," a source told Reuters. **REUTERS**

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► London Mayor Boris Johnson, right, unveils Mandeville, an Olympic mascot.

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Olympics mascots get mayoral backing

London Mayor Boris Johnson has unveiled 83 individual sculptures of the city's Olympic mascots. The quirky statues of Wenlock and Mandeville now line London's streets for the Games. Johnson said: "Wenlock and Mandeville are instantly recognizable characters and life-sized embodiments of the excitement of London 2012."

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► Wenlock

Naming a mascot

► **WENLOCK.** Named after the quaint town of Much Wenlock in Shropshire, England, which in the 19th century held the games that are said to have inspired the modern Olympics. Baron Pierre de Coubertin, the founder of the modern Olympic movement, visited the town in 1890 to view the Wenlock Olympian Games organized by Dr. William Penny Brookes. The Wenlock Games impressed de Coubertin so much that he used their ideals as the basis

of an international sporting competition which marked the beginning of the modern Olympic Games in 1896 in Athens.

► **MANDEVILLE.** The Paralympic mascot is inspired by the village of Stoke Mandeville in Buckinghamshire. During the 1948 Olympic Games held in London, Sir Ludwig Guttmann held a sporting competition in Stoke Mandeville for WWII soldiers with spinal injuries. The Stoke Mandeville Games grew until they became formally known as the Paralympic Games first held in Rome in 1960.

Truth behind city's pearl-studded past

The pearly mascot Mandeville is based on London's 19th-century tradition of appointing a Pearly King and Queen known as "Pearlies." The working-class custom originates from an orphan street sweeper who created an attention-grabbing pearly suit to aid his fundraising activities. "Pearlies" are now affiliated to a church and raise money for local charities. ● MWN

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► Improving math and science education, President Obama says, is a crucial key to economic recovery.

Obama calls for 'master teachers' to help schools

► The proposed program will offer \$20,000 stipends to high-performing math, science and tech teachers

President Barack Obama has proposed a \$1 billion program to recruit high-performing math and science teachers to mentor and evaluate their peers and help students excel.

The so-called Master Teacher Corps program calls for recruiting 2,500 such educators at the outset and increasing that to 10,000 over four years, paying them \$20,000 stipends on top of their base salaries. Each teacher would be required to serve at least four years.

To help launch the program, the Obama administration has pledged to release \$100 million already available to school districts that have made plans to develop and retain effective teachers of science, technology, engineering and math, or "STEM."

Education Secretary Arne Duncan said the plan would raise the prestige of the profes-

sion and increase teacher retention.

"This is a chance to look across the entire pipeline, from attracting better talent, to better mentoring that talent, to having folks stay in the profession for a much longer time," Duncan told reporters last Tuesday.

"We're not just fighting for better education here. We're fighting for our country. If we want to keep good jobs in this country, we know we need a much better educated workforce, and so many of the skills that are in demand right now are in the STEM areas," Duncan said.

The initiative faces a big hurdle in Congress. The funds make up part of Obama's 2013 budget proposal, which faces little hope of becoming law because of opposition from the Republican majority in the House of Representatives.

"I'm all for supporting math and science, but I think we need to refocus our attention on the basics," Republican Representative Duncan Hunter said in a written statement.

Hunter, who chairs the House Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary and Secondary Education, said existing educational programs needed to be narrowed down and strengthened.

"It doesn't make much sense to be adding taxpayer dollars where there's already significant overlap and duplication," he said.

Obama, facing a tough reelection bid amid a balky economy, has emphasized math and science education as one of the keys to a robust economic recovery. He wants to prepare 100,000 additional science and math teachers over the next decade. **REUTERS**

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The survey reveals more parents and students are shopping online for tech. Most shoppers, 79 percent, will scour the Web for deals this year, according to the survey. Gadgets are on top of back-to-school shopping lists, along with clothes and supplies.

Exactly how much will they spend? About 63 percent of consumers say they'll spend up to \$500 for school supplies, including tech. Some respondents, 20 percent, are willing to spend up to \$1,000, while 17 percent said they don't have a budget. **MASHABLE**



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The recession's other victims: Public universities

- State cutbacks are having a drastic effect on the affordability and quality of public college education
- Students graduating with more debt and professors earning less as state funding continues to decrease

For generations, most college-bound Americans paid reasonable fees to attend publicly financed state universities.

But the bedrock of that system is fracturing as cash-strapped states slash funding to these schools just as attendance has soared. Places like Ohio State, Penn State and the University of Michigan now receive less than 7 percent of their budgets from state ap-

propriations.

As a result, public universities — which historically have graduated the majority of U.S. college students — are eliminating programs, raising tuition and accepting more out-of-state students, who typically pay significantly higher rates.

The upshot of it all? Students face greater competition for admission, significantly higher tuition bills and bigger

Quoted

"The quality of education is a continuous worry and focus."

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► State schools are eliminating programs due to budget constraints.

debt loads upon graduation.

"I'm concerned about the costs of these universities," says Mike Eskew, a former CEO of United Parcel Service, who in 1972 graduated from Indiana's Purdue University without loans. "Those institutions helped build this country. For people like me who grew up in small towns, they were the ladder to the world."

The state cutbacks also

mean students are attending larger classes, frequently taught by part-time professors earning dismal salaries. In 2009, less than a quarter of all university faculty were full-time, compared with 45 percent in 1975, according to the American Association of University Professors.

"The quality of education is a continuous worry and focus," says Peter McPherson,

president of the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities and former president of Michigan State University. "As state support has been reduced, states have been looking more to universities even as they're cutting back." Despite the decreasing funding, he says, "You need to have these institutions feel as if they're part of the state."

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'Obscene' Katy Perry facing legal trouble

Although **Madonna** is practically begging for someone to complain about her racy MDNA tour, it's **Katy Perry** who has found herself in legal trouble stemming from an April performance in India.

It seems the singer invited cricket player **Doug Bollinger** onstage to demonstrate how to hold a cricket bat, and the lesson — which involved Bollinger snuggling up behind Perry and grabbing her below-the-waist microphone — offended a lawyer in the audience enough to file a complaint. In the case, which will be heard July 31, the lawyer claims that the gesture was "obscene and lascivious" and "distracted students who were writing exams at the time," according to The Sun.

Listen, guys — you're overreacting here. Katy Perry has squirted us with icing from her spinning cupcake bra, and our country's education system is totally fine. Absolutely nothing to worry about, we promise.



► Baby, you're still a firework to us.

Someone's gaga here

Pop stars can't catch a break from the crazies today. The Florida Family Association is blaming **Lady Gaga's** hit single "Born This Way" and the singer's charitable foundation of the same name for encouraging teens — including those who are LGBTQ — to feel

like worthwhile humans. "Born This Way" sends an irresponsible message to many teens who would have eventually chose to be straight," says the organization's website.

No — just no. Although we do worry she sends an irresponsible message to many teens who would have eventually chosen not to wear a dress made from decapitated Muppets.

Is this a marketing strategy?

Did you ever wonder what diet cocktail smack talk sounded like? Real Housewife **Teresa Giudice** is celebrating the release of her Fabellini line of low-calorie drinks by taking a swipe at fellow Housewife **Bethenny Frankel's** Skinnygirl brand.

"My thing is I don't like anything that tastes diet-y," she tells UsMagazine. "For instance, Skinnygirl tastes diet-y. I don't like that."



It's enlightening little bits like these that some think will

land Giudice her own show. "She knows this is a critical time for her and any future opportunities, so she doesn't stop working," a source tells Us. "Bravo would definitely give her her own show, especially after this season. There's so much drama."

Are we really distressed enough to drink a Fabellini? New low over here at The Word.

The feed ...

► Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

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@rejectedjokes (Ben Schwartz)

Just filled out a Mad Lib with Justin Beiber. He put SWAG in for everything. Noun, verb, pronoun...everything. SWAG.

@ConanOBrien

Athletes at the Olympics are being issued 15 condoms each. Or as the men's table tennis players put it, "14 condoms too many."



Conan O'Brien

Talking points

Randy Jackson not leaving 'Idol'

With **Mariah Carey** rumored to be close to signing on as a new judge for "American Idol," the last remaining judge for the reality singing competition wants to make it clear that he isn't going anywhere. While serving as guest host on "The View" last week, **Randy Jackson** announced that he is not leaving "American Idol," despite speculation he might be following **Jennifer Lopez** and **Steven Tyler**, who recently left the show.

"Steven and Jennifer are truly two of the most talented

and consummate professionals I've worked with," Jackson recently told Gossip Cop about his co-workers' departure. "I was friends with them before we hopped on this crazy journey together and I have no doubt our friendships will continue long after."

Jackson's statement still leaves open the possibility that he'll move from the judges' table to a mentorship role on the show, leading to a completely new panel of judges.

What we really, really want

The **Spice Girls** are set to reunite for a performance to mark the closing of the 2012 Summer Olympics in London on Aug. 12, a source confirms

to Us Weekly. The group, which split up in 2001, hasn't performed together since their 2008 reunion tour. All five original members will be taking part, according to the source, and the group is expected to perform two songs, including their debut hit, "Wannabe." Other perform-

ers at the event will include **George Michael**, **The Who** and **Jessie J**, according to the source.

Katie Holmes back to work

Katie Holmes is wasting no time getting back to work af-

ter her divorce drama with **Tom Cruise** — starting with a return to Broadway. Holmes is slated to star in "Smash" creator Theresa Rebeck's new play, "Dead Accounts," according to Us Weekly.

Usher mourning death of stepson

R&B singer Usher is mourning the death of his 11-year-old stepson, Kyle Glover, who succumbed to injuries suffered in a jet ski accident earlier this month, according to TMZ. Glover was riding on an inner tube being towed by a motor boat when a Jet Ski collided with him on Lake Lanier in Atlanta. He was hospitalized and declared brain dead shortly after; this weekend, he was taken off life support.



► The Spice Girls are reuniting for the Olympics.



Was your weekend missing a Lorax, too?

1 A tanned — and dare we say highlighted? — Alec Baldwin brought brand-new wife Hilaria Baldwin to the Hamptons International Film Festival on Saturday.

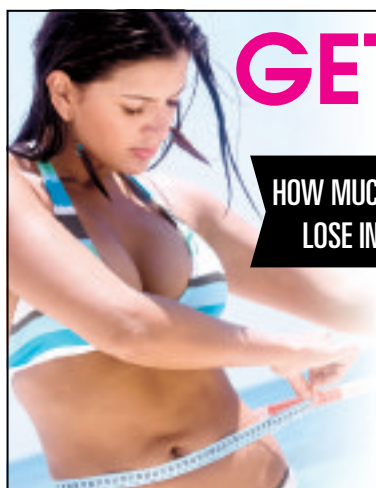
2 When David Hasselhoff's happy, we're happy. On Saturday, he celebrated his 60th birthday with his 31-year-old girlfriend, Hayley Roberts.

3 Great moments in orange carpet history: Danny Devito and his Dr. Seuss doppelganger were on hand for the U.K. premiere of "The Lorax" on Sunday.

4 Generally, people who look this small next to a bag of chips don't eat them. Nevertheless, Eva Longoria was promoting Lays in Times Square on Friday.

5 Even at photocalls, Group Love makes us want to bounce around.

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PBS at TCA, Day 1: From 'willies' to an impromptu 'Free Bates' campaign

► A spoiler-filled 'Downton Abbey' panel caps off the first day of the Television Critics Association press tour

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► The engagement of Matthew (Dan Stevens) and Mary (Michelle Dockery) may not be entirely smooth in Season 3 of "Downton Abbey."

The Television Critics Association press tour, the semiannual gathering of journalists to preview the new and returning series premiering this fall, kicked off Saturday with a look at the offerings from PBS.

During the executive session, PBS President Paula Kerger addressed the decision to fire "Market Warriors" host Fred Willard after his arrest on suspicion of engaging in a lewd act in a Hollywood theater last week. "Our concern really is that his circumstance would become a distraction to the series, which we're hoping will have an ongoing presence on public television," Kerger said.

PBS's most anticipated new drama, "Call the Midwife," was responsible for the day's most comical TCA Twitter hashtag: #detachablewillies. Based on the best-selling memoirs of Jennifer Worth, the series tells the story of Jenny Lee, a young midwife working with an order of nuns in the poorest area of London in the 1950s.

As for portraying childbirth realistically without appearing graphic, "it's all about [camera] angles," says series star Jessica Raine, who portrays Jenny. Several prosthetic newborns were also created as props. "They are really heavy, and we got one baby with a detachable willy so it could be a boy or a girl baby," Raine admitted, immediately prompting the hashtag.

The day's big finale featured

the cast and creator of the PBS megahit "Downton Abbey." Those in the packed ballroom were treated to a spoiler-filled trailer for Season 3, including a heated exchange between Lady Mary (Michelle Dockery) and fiancé Matthew Crawley (Dan Stevens, not present on the panel).

Creator Julian Fellowes said Season 3, premiering Jan. 6, is "in a way, about the recovery from the war." The world — and Downton Abbey itself — is in a massive state of change. He promises "laughs and tears."

Plenty of those should be had in the storyline involving beloved valet Mr. Bates (Brendan Coyle), who is (falsely?) in prison for the murder of his ex-wife, while his current wife, housemaid Anna (Joanne Froggatt), is determined to find evidence that sets him free. It turns out Anna isn't the only one who wants to see Bates emancipated.

Series star Hugh Bonneville, while commenting on his character Robert's position in life ("his destiny was pre-determined. He was born to hand on his estate to the next generation") suddenly stood and began ripping off his tie. He turned away from the audience and unbuttoned his shirt, turning back to reveal a "Free Bates" T-shirt, to raucous applause — even from TV critics.



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One woman's account of working in a retail hell

When the economy turned south in 2009, author Caitlin Kelly found her freelance writing gigs shriveling up, one by one. In an effort to stay afloat she began working at in The North Face at her local mall.

She wound up encountering

the struggles, fears and frustrations 15 million American workers feel every day.

Her latest book — "Malled: My Unintentional Career in Retail" — chronicles her two years as a frontline retail sales associate and diagnoses a bro-

ken system of low-wage/high-expectation, emotionally taxing work.

"Retail looks like it's low-skilled. It's not. That's why I wrote the book. I came away with a lot of respect for a job that demands a high degree of emotional and intellectual skill," says Kelly, from her home in Tarrytown, New York. "It's a low-wage job, which to a lot of people means it doesn't take a lot of skill. It doesn't mean that. It just means it pays badly. There are people behind counters with Ph.D.s and MAs. And even if they don't have a college education, they're still bringing an A-game. But they don't get the corporate respect." **BRUCE WALSH**

On the inside

Kelly bristles at a common theme in the criticism of her book: Namely, that her perspective is that of a privileged outsider.

► "Define privilege: I'm not wealthy, I live in a one-bedroom apartment, I have

an old car. If I was that privileged, I wouldn't have taken a low-wage job and stayed in it for 27 months," she says. "People have said, 'Oh, you're whining.' You know what? You go do that job for a while. Go get emotionally abused for the next 27 months and see if you come out all perky and shiny."



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▶ A fear of the doctor's office is normal, but it shouldn't stop you from getting your yearly physical.

ders invasive tests?" Rather than thinking about the potential positive gains made from a routine checkup, you're thinking of all the worst scenarios.

— Jonathan Alpert is a licensed psychotherapist. E-mail him your questions at jonathan@jonathanalpert.com.

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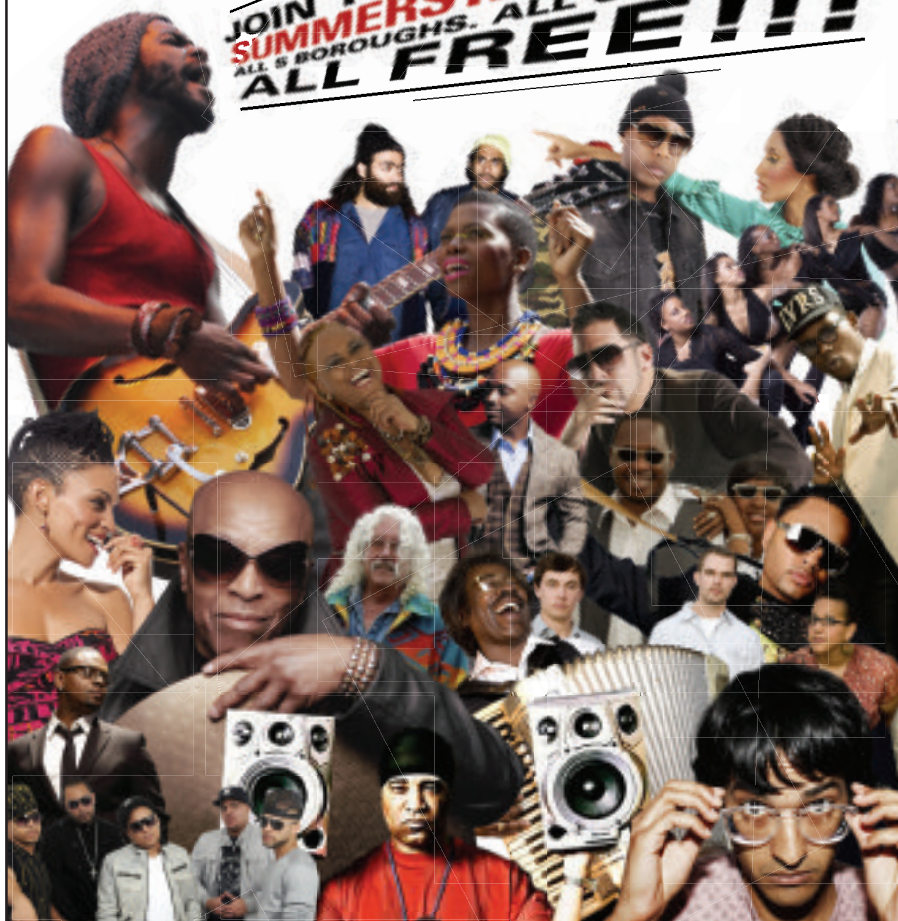
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GABRIELLE BERNSTEIN

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A 100-degree day in a congested city is never a cool experience — I admit I tend to get irritated and overwhelmed as I navigate my way through the sticky, sun-baked streets. If you're anything like me, serenity is a distant afterthought on a hot summer day. For the sake of your sanity and health, follow these three tips to keep you cool on a sizzling day.

Prepare for the heat
First things first: Stay mellow

in the high temps by mindfully preparing for your commute. Before you leave the house, make sure you've set yourself up to win. Practice simple acts of self-care: Pack an extra shirt in case you get sweaty, or prepare a playlist of tunes that keep you positive even if you're fanning yourself with your Kindle. And don't forget to slather on sunscreen. Dr. Pryia Batra from Vanguard Dermatology suggests wearing SPF 50 sunblock even when you're walking to work. Paying extra attention to your personal well-being is a huge stress reliever when heat is an obstacle.

Meditate on your commute
This will greatly serve you when you're stuck on a hot bus, subway or train. Press play on some ambient music and breathe deeply in your nose and out your mouth. Need help getting into the zone? Visit www.gabbyb.tv/landing-page for my free guided meditations. Connecting to your breath through meditation will help you release all negativity before you get to the office. Simply shut your eyes



► On sticky days like these, a little comfort isn't impossible to find.

and breathe deeply, and your commute will be much cooler.

Drink up
Staying hydrated will help you maintain your energy and keep you cool throughout the day. My dear friend and doctor, Frank Lipman, says, "Drink half your body weight in ounces of water each day. You want to drink fluids before you are thirsty, because if you wait until you're thirsty you are already dehydrated. And remem-

ber, it has to be water — iced coffee and margaritas don't count!" Even though it might sound obvious, don't disregard this crucial step.

The heat doesn't have to get you down this summer! Take care of yourself with a little mindfulness and you'll avoid unnecessary meltdowns.

— Gabrielle Bernstein is the author of "Spirit Junkie."

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Letters

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Entire nation falls prey to Aurora evil

James Holmes allegedly killed 12 and injured 58 in a movie theater in Aurora, Colorado.

This brings much sadness to our nation.

Our heartfelt prayers go out to these families who lost love ones and those who were injured in this senseless massacre.

This was an egregious and nefarious act that was perpetrated by an individual that was the personification of pure evil. A movie theater is suppose to be a place that should be safe, I guess no more.

We are becoming a nation under siege by those who have no regard for innocent lives.

Evil is what evil does.

FREDERICK BEDELL JR., VIA E-MAIL

In the wake of Friday's shootings in Colorado, I am neither going to call for stricter gun control laws, nor cry: "Can't we all just get along?"

Nor will I condemn the film and Hollywood for glorifying violence and eroding our morals.

None of that is realistic or helpful.

Rather, I will simply note that this is a tragedy that has robbed many of their loved ones — and out of respect for their grief we should refrain from claiming these events as proof of our personal ideologies (whatever they may be).

JOSEPH CONNELL, BROOKLYN

Bush to blame for financial crisis

I would like to respond to

the letter from Paul Kane accusing President Clinton of making the "largest mistake" leading to the recent financial crisis of the past few years.

The changes to the Glass-Steagall Act did not "deregulate" the banking industry, as Mr. Kane says.

There were still plenty of regulations and oversight provisions that could have prevented the financial meltdown if the Bush administration had even attempted to regulate or oversee the financial industry — not to mention all the regulations that Bush and the Republican Congress likely repealed quietly in the years leading up to the crisis.

And the biggest failure of regulation under Bush was the lack of regulation and oversight of the mortgage in-

dustry, leading to the subprime mortgages that banks later invested in.

Also, Bush was responsible for monitoring the financial system.

If he had done that, then he could have acted to prevent the financial meltdown long before it got to that point, which is what Clinton or Gore would have done if they were in office during the same time.

What's more, the financial crisis would not have happened if job growth and wages weren't so stagnant during the Bush years, because you wouldn't have had so many people unable to pay their mortgages in the first place.

GABRIEL GOTTLIEB, VIA E-MAIL

An easy fix for Congress

Memo to both houses of Congress: Tired of being called a 'do nothing' Congress? Well, DO SOMETHING!

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Horoscope

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** Even if your financial conditions are better than usual, don't use it as an excuse to blow a wad on frivolous things that won't mean anything to you down the line.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** Because you're such a fast thinker, you'll be able make a complicated judgment call while your associates are still busy trying to figure out exactly what the problem is all about.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** If you're on your toes, you'll spot some beneficial developments that are taking place so quietly that most people wouldn't even notice. Being first on the spot will gain you the upper hand.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Certain friends could be of tremendous help in a commercial situation, if you understand what they have to offer. Don't hesitate to question them about what they know.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Two important objectives can be reached, if you use your smarts when going after them. Keep a low profile and don't broadcast your intentions.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Because you are likely to be especially effective in dealing with committee work, chances are any constructive

suggestion you make will be exactly what is needed.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** When it comes to working with others on a joint project, you'll do what needs doing without standing on ceremony. Greater success than expected will come, mostly due to your input.

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** Harmony and balance can be restored in an important relationship that has been a bit unsteady lately. However, you must make the first overtures.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** Start the week off by implementing changes that would improve conditions where your work or career is concerned. Even if this means humbling yourself a bit, it'll be worth it.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Today's conditions are conducive for you to begin building the network you need to accomplish an important aim. Start gathering those who have proven they can work well with you.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Don't sit on your duff just because you haven't made any plans. Utilize this free time to connect all the loose ends you've left dangling.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** If your methods or procedures are better than what others have to offer, don't be surprised if you capture the attention of those who matter.

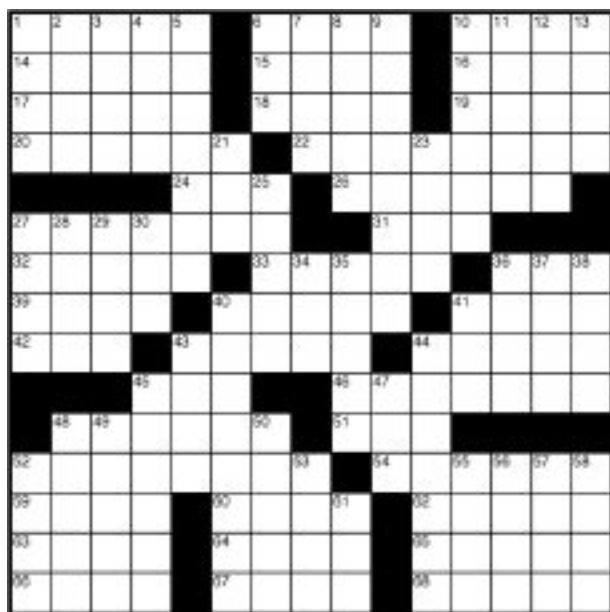
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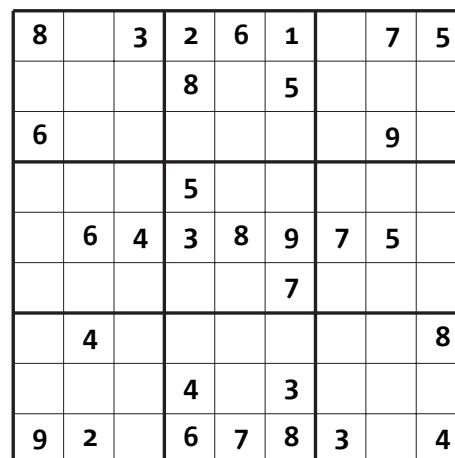
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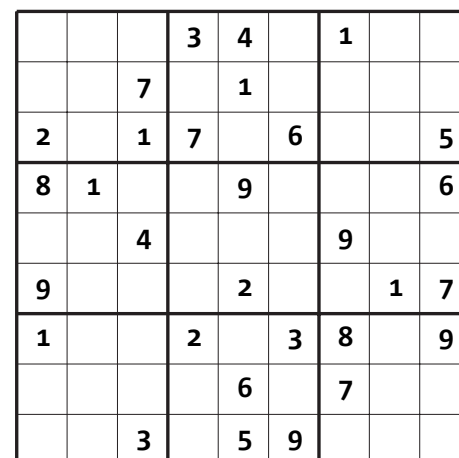


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In the news

Scott collapse

South African Ernie Els won his fourth major yesterday when he took the British Open at 7-under par. But the real story was the collapse of Adam Scott.

Scott, who led by four strokes entering the day, received little challenge from Brandt Snedeker or Tiger Woods, who both struggled.

It was the last four holes that vexed Scott. He led by four strokes, but bogeyed all four to hand Els the win.



► Soriano

Bullpen costs Yankees win

CC Sabathia put the Yankees in prime position to prevent the Athletics from sweeping the team out of Oakland. Rafael Soriano did not oblige.

The Yankees' closer blew just his second save since taking over the role as he allowed a solo home run to Seth Smith in the bottom of the ninth inning to tie the game at 4-4. Coco Crisp ended it in the bottom of the 12th on a single to right field off Cody Eppley that scored Derek Norris. Sabathia went seven innings and allowed three runs.

New York came into the series riding high, but lost all four games by just one run in each. The team will face Seattle tonight at 10:10 p.m. on YES. ● METRO

SUMMER DAZE

► Ugly collapse in 12th inning drops Mets under .500 for first time ► July continues to vex club every year ► Young star pitcher could bring help

There are inevitabilities in life. The sun rises in the East and sets in the West. And the Mets are really bad in July.

The Mets fell to 4-12 in July with their 8-3 loss to the Dodgers in 12 innings yesterday afternoon at Citi Field. With the loss, the Mets fell under .500 for the first time this season (47-48). They have lost eight of nine, nine out of their last 10, and were swept for the second time in the last three series. Dating back to 2009, the Mets are 39-56 in July.

"Frustrating. Frustrating to lose. We have a lot of games left but frustration is the word," Daniel Murphy said about the team's mood.

The pitching staff, which had been a strength in the first three months, has collapsed. The Mets have allowed 92 runs this month and their 5.65 ERA ranks No. 29 in the majors.

"It's about pitching," manager Terry Collins said. "You've got to give your guys a shot to win baseball games. Our pitching has done that. That's why we were [where] we were. Right now we've had some issues."

A clearer picture will develop with a stretch of 14 games



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► The Mets got what they needed from Jon Niese, but a brutal 12th inning resulted in the team's ninth loss in 10 games.

.250

The Mets have a winning percentage of just .250 in July after dropping to 4-12 with a loss to L.A.

in 14 days starting with today's series opener against the Nationals. The Mets trail Washington by 8 1/2 games in the division and are five games behind wild-card co-leaders Pittsburgh and Atlanta.

"It's very disappointing.

Harvey time

Mets fans looking for a little good news can take heart knowing Matt Harvey will make his debut Thursday at Arizona.

Terry Collins said the decision to start him on the road wasn't purposeful, but there's plenty of hype already and he struggled in his last start.

"Matt didn't pitch very [well Saturday] night. But he has been pitching [well]," Collins said. "[Saturday] night was one of those situations that with all of the talk, his mind was in New York and not necessarily in Buffalo. Which I totally understand, completely."

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We're certainly not happy with the way things have gone in the last 10 days," Collins said. "So we have to buckle down, get after it and get over it."

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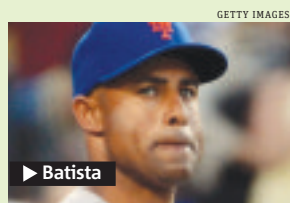
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► Batista

Batista DFA'd after blowout

Veteran starter Miguel Batista was designated for assignment yesterday, one day after giving up four runs in just

three innings to the Dodgers.

Batista was 1-3 with a 4.82 ERA in 46 2/3 innings pitched as a spot starter and long reliever this season. The team promoted reliever Elvin Ramirez from Buffalo.

"Hopefully he clears

[waivers] and decides to stay, goes down and pitches a little bit more," manager Terry Collins said. "Miguel's done a great job. He's a first-class guy, brings a lot to the party as far as his clubhouse presence." ● METRO/DG

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Football without pads is like jumping into the pool wearing shoes. It's just not the same.

During the last five months, we've sifted through free agency, the draft and minicamps. What we haven't seen is football players intensely banging into each other with full gear on. That will change this week as training camps open and position battles ensue:

Trouble for Beast Mode

There wasn't supposed to be a battle for carries in Seattle. That all changed when an allegedly drunk **Marshawn Lynch** was pulled over while driving his Ford Econoline van



► Roy Helu has the talent to beat out Tim Hightower for a starting job.

last weekend. He's facing a lengthy suspension, leaving rookie **Robert Turbin** to battle **Leon Washington** for reps. With an intriguing size/speed skill set, Turbin is shaping up as a sleeper if he wins out.

One-cut Shanny

Mike Shanahan has been wreaking havoc on fantasy leagues since the days of Terrell Davis, Mike Anderson and Olandis Gary. Now he's setting up a camp battle between **Tim Hightower** and **Roy Helu** for the starting gig in Washing-

ton. We know that whoever emerges is going to have plenty of success in the one-cut attack.

Green means go

Thanks to **Aaron Rodgers** and a dominant scheme, the Packers are among the few teams that can support three fantasy wideouts. This year, the No. 3 job is going to come down to **Donald Driver**, **James Jones** and **Randall Cobb**. The veterans will likely get the first look, but Cobb is the one to watch in the long term. He's explosive.

Top MLB pickups



Steve Cishek

► **RP, Marlins**
Heath Bell can't get anyone out and Juan Carlos Oviedo (elbow) is mending. Cishek is getting a shot at saves.

Anthony Gose

► **OF, Blue Jays**
The lightning-fast Gose will rack up plenty of steals while Jose Bautista rests his damaged wrist tendons.

NBA hot stove

34.0

Minutes per game for Ray Allen with the Celtics last season. Now that he's on the Heat, Allen will see a steep reduction in playing time and shots. The Big 3 sucks up all the chances.

40.7

Jeremy Lin's shooting percentage over his final 13 games of last season, suggesting that defenses figured him out. He'll garner even more attention in Houston.

NFL sleepers

Players flying too far under the radar right now:

1 **David Wilson, RB, NYG** — Ahmad Bradshaw has a lot of mileage on creaky wheels and Brandon Jacobs is gone. Wilson is a freakish talent.



2 **Jacob Tamme, TE, DEN** — Although Tamme isn't much of a threat after the catch, Peyton Manning knows he has excellent hands.



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Legal Notices

NOTICE TO POTENTIAL AGGRIEVED PERSONS

On May 29, 2012, the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York entered a consent decree resolving a lawsuit brought by the United States Department of Justice against certain builders and developers alleging that they failed to include certain accessible features for persons with disabilities required by the Fair Housing Act, 42 U.S.C. § 3604(f)(3)(c), in the design and construction of Hudson Crossing.

Under this consent order, a person may be entitled to receive monetary relief if he or she:

- WAS DISCOURAGED FROM LIVING AT THIS PROPERTY BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF ACCESSIBLE FEATURES;
- HAS BEEN HURT IN ANY WAY BY THE LACK OF ACCESSIBLE FEATURES AT THIS PROPERTY;
- PAID TO HAVE AN APARTMENT AT THIS PROPERTY MADE MORE ACCESSIBLE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES; OR
- WAS OTHER WISE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY AT THIS PROPERTY.

If you wish to make a claim for discrimination on the basis of disability, or if you have any information about persons who may have such a claim, please contact the United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of New York at 212-637-2800. You may also fax us at 212-637-2702 or write to:

United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of New York

Attn: Civil Rights Unit
86 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007

NOTE: You must call or write no later than November 30, 2014.

compliance with the FHA and the Guidelines, and shall maintain and provide such plans, drawing, or blueprints to the United States upon request.

26. Dermot shall design and construct all new Covered Multifamily Dwellings in full compliance with the Accessible Design Requirements, the FHA Guidelines, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Standards. During the term of this Consent Decree, upon reasonable notice, the United States will be permitted full access to such properties to inspect for compliance with such standards, rules, and laws.

VII. PAYMENTS TO AGGRIEVED PERSONS

27. Within thirty (30) days after entry of this Consent Decree, Dermot shall deposit in an interest-bearing account the aggregate sum of ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$115,000) for the purpose of compensating any aggrieved persons who may have suffered as a result of the Design Defendants' discriminatory housing practices regarding Hudson Crossing. This deposited money, plus any accrued interest, shall be referred to as the "Settlement Fund."

28. Within fifteen (15) days after the entry of this Consent Decree, Dermot shall publish the Notice to Persons Who May Have Suffered Housing Discrimination ("Aggrieved Person Notice") at Appendix E informing readers of the availability of compensatory funds. The Aggrieved Person Notice shall be no smaller than three columns by six inches and shall be published on three occasions in each of the following newspapers: the *Wall Street Journal* and the *New York Times*. The three publication dates shall be separated from one another by twenty-one (21) days, and at least two of the publication dates shall be on a Sunday for the *New York Times* and the weekend edition for the *Wall Street Journal*. Within ten (10) days after the

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